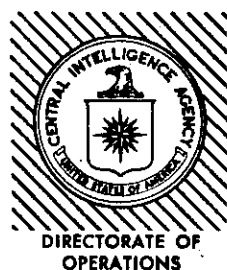


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COUNTRY ARGENTINA

SUBJECT PERIODIC LOW-LEVEL ACTIVITIES OF THE MARXIST

"REVOLUTIONARY FRONT 17 OCTOBER" ~~SECRET~~ 17

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LEFTIST SUBVERSIVE ACTIVITY IS CARRIED OUT BY THE

"REVOLUTIONARY FRONT 17 OCTOBER" ~~SECRET~~ FRENTE REVOLUCIONARIO 17 de Octubre

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17 DE OCTUBRE - FR-17), A MARXIST GROUP DEDICATED TO
ACHIEVING POWER THROUGH VIOLENCE. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] HOWEVER, THE ACTIVITIES OF THE FR-17 THUS FAR
HAVE BEEN MAINLY OF A LOW-LEVEL, PROPAGANDA NATURE. [REDACTED]

COMMENT: THE DATE 17 OCTOBER IS SIGNIFICANT IN THAT IT IS
PERONIST LOYALTY DAY.)

2. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] THE FR-17 CAME INTO EXISTENCE IN MAY 1975 AS THE
RESULT OF THE MERGER OF THE "PERONIST REVOLUTIONARY
FRONT" (FRP) AND THE "REVOLUTIONARY MOVEMENT-17" (MR-17).
BOTH THE FRP AND THE MR-17 HAD EMBRACED A MILITANT,
MARXIST IDEOLOGY AND ATTEMPTED TO ACHIEVE THEIR OBJECTIVES
BY INFILTRATING PERONIST SECTORS TO FORM A REVOLUTIONARY
PERONIST MOVEMENT. THE FR-17 HOPES TO ACCOMPLISH ITS
GOALS IN THREE STAGES. THE FIRST STAGE CALLS FOR OBTAINING
THE SUPPORT OF STUDENTS, WORKERS AND THE POORER CLASSES
AND FROM THESE SECTORS FORMING A BROAD-BASED POLITICAL
MOVEMENT, "THE POPULAR MOVEMENT FOR NATIONAL LIBERATION",
AND A MILITARY "NATIONAL LIBERATION ARMY". IN CORDOBA,
SPECIFICALLY, THE FR-17 HOPES TO CREATE A LEGAL POLITICAL

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FRONT. THE SECOND STAGE ENTAILS A LARGE-SCALE MILITARY, TERRORIST OFFENSIVE FOR THE PURPOSE OF TAKING CONTROL OF THE COUNTRY. THE THIRD STAGE IS THE PROCESS INVOLVED IN CREATING A MARXIST STATE.

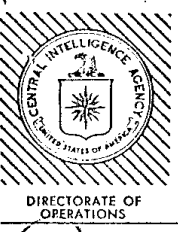
3. [REDACTED] THE FR-17 HAS ABOUT 150 ADHERENTS, WHICH INCLUDE BOTH MILITANTS AND SYMPATHIZERS, AS WELL AS THE FR-17'S YOUTH GROUP, THE JUVENTUD FRETE REVOLUCIONARIO" (JFR-17 OR JR-17). THE FR-17 HAS PEOPLE IN THE FEDERAL CAPITAL, GREATER BUENOS AIRES, LA PLATA AND CORDOBA.

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COUNTRY ARGENTINA

SUBJECT STATUS REPORT ON THE PEOPLE'S REVOLUTIONARY ARMY
AS PREPARED BY THE INTELLIGENCE DIRECTORATE OF
THE BUENOS AIRES PROVINCIAL POLICE

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[REDACTED] A SPECIAL REPORT [REDACTED] ON THE STATUS
OF THE PEOPLE'S REVOLUTIONARY ARMY AND ITS POLITICAL ARM, THE REVOLU-
TIONARY WORKERS PARTY (ERP/PRT). ACCORDING TO THE REPORT, THE
POLITICAL BUREAU OF THE ERP/PRT IS COMPOSED OF SIX PEOPLE: LUIS

MATTINI; EDUARDO RAUL MERBERIA, ALIAS "ALBERTO";
JOY A REA B A L (FNU), ALIASES "EL VASCO" AND "DANIEL"; JULIO
CESAR SANTUCHO, ALIAS "ENRIQUE"; AGUSTIN CHOCULE, ALIAS
"CHISPA"; AND ENRIQUE HAROLD GORRIARAN, ALIAS

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"PELADO" AND "RICARDO." THE ERP/PRT MILITARY COMMITTEE HAS FIVE MEMBERS WHO HAVE NOT BEEN IDENTIFIED.

2. ACCORDING TO THE [] REPORT, THE ERP/PRT HAS SUFFERED FINANCIALLY AND WAS CONSEQUENTLY PROVIDED A LOAN OF U.S. \$500,000 BY THE MONTONEROS. []

[] IN EARLY JULY 1976 MARIO S A N T U C H O, THEN COMMANDER OF THE ERP, HAD REQUESTED MONEY FOR THE ERP FROM MARIO F I R M E N I C H, COMMANDER OF THE MONTONEROS, BUT FIRMENICH REFUSED, POINTING OUT THAT THE ERP ALREADY OWED THE MONTONEROS U.S. \$600,000. IT IS NOT KNOWN WHETHER THE U.S. \$500,000 ABOVE REPRESENTS PART OF THE U.S. \$600,000 THE ERP OWED THE MONTONEROS OR IS A NEW LOAN.) THE [] REPORT ALSO STATES

[] THE PROPOSED UNIFICATION OF THE ERP/PRT AND THE MONTONEROS HAD NOT YET BEEN ACHIEVED AS OF AUGUST 1976, BUT [] THE ERP CONTINUES TO FAVOR JOINT OR COORDINATED ACTIONS WITH THE MONTONEROS. THE ERP/PRT IS CRITICAL OF THE MONTONEROS FOR FAILING TO HAVE A CLEARLY DEFINED MARXIST ORIENTATION.

3. THE ERP/PRT HAS REMAINED A PART OF THE REVOLUTIONARY COORDINATING JUNTA (JCR), A COOPERATIVE ARRANGEMENT OF VARIOUS SUBVERSIVE GROUPS OF THE SOUTHERN CONE. THE ENTITY USED BY THE JCR FOR ITS INTERNATIONAL PROPAGANDA CAMPAIGN IS THE ARGENTINE CENTER OF INFORMATION AND SOLIDARITY (CAIS) WHICH HAS ITS HEADQUARTERS IN PARIS, FRANCE. ACCORDING TO THE [] REPORT, THE CAIS HAS BEEN HAVING INTERNAL PROBLEMS WHICH HAVE AFFECTED ITS PROPAGANDA OUTPUT ON BEHALF OF SUBVERSIVE GROUPS. THESE PROBLEMS CONCERN INFIGHTING BETWEEN RODOLFO M A T T A R O L L O, ALIAS RAUL N A V A S, A MILITANT ERP, AND LUIS C E R R U T I C O S T A, A MONTONERO INVOLVED WITH THE CAIS. PART OF THE DIFFICULTY IS ALLEGEDLY DUE TO AN EFFORT BY THE MONTONEROS TO ASSUME AUTHORITY OVER SUBVERSIVE MATTERS IN ARGENTINA. THE [] REPORT STATES THAT THERE IS SOME INDICATION THAT THE JCR, THROUGH ITS REPRESENTATIVE "HUGO," MAY HAVE SENT VOLUNTEERS TO ANGOLA FOR TRAINING IN PREPARATION FOR THE FORMATION OF A RESERVE UNIT TO

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PARTICIPATE IN SUBVERSIVE ACTIONS IN ARGENTINA WHEN CONSIDERED NECESSARY.



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COUNTRY CUBA/ARGENTINA

SUBJECT INTENTION OF THE ~~CUBAN GOVERNMENT TO MAINTAIN DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH ARGENTINA~~ AS A MATTER OF POLICY

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1. IT IS CUBAN GOVERNMENT POLICY TO ESTABLISH AND MAINTAIN DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH ALL LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES. THUS, CUBA WILL NOT BREAK DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH ARGENTINA AS A RESULT OF THE DISAPPEARANCE ON 9 AUGUST 1976 OF TWO CUBAN EMPLOYEES OF THE CUBAN EMBASSY IN BUENOS AIRES. ALTHOUGH THE CUBAN GOVERNMENT

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HAS NO PROOF, IT IS CONVINCED THAT THE TWO WERE ARRESTED AND KILLED BY SOME RIGHTIST/TERRORIST FACTION OF THE ARGENTINE POLICE OR ARMED FORCES.

2. CUBA CONSIDERS THE ARGENTINE GOVERNMENT FASCIST AND REPRESSIVE. TRADE BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES IS ALMOST AT A STANDSTILL. RELATIONS ARE NOT LIKELY TO IMPROVE AS LONG AS ARGENTINA MAINTAINS ITS CURRENT DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN POLICIES. THE BAD RELATIONS THAT ALREADY EXISTED BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES WORSENER AS A RESULT OF THE DISAPPEARANCE OF THE TWO CUBANS IN AUGUST. EVEN THOUGH RELATIONS WILL CONTINUE TO BE VERY STRAINED, CUBA INTENDS TO MAINTAIN THEM.

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